

Read out from Min Alhabra and Sec Buttigieg call.

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Min Alhabra spoke to Sec. Buttigieg at 12PM on 10 Feb.

MOA: Min Omar Alhabra
SP: Sec Pete

Also on call:

- DM Michael Keenan
 - ASDM Arun Thangaraj
 - COS Mike Maka
 - Miled Hill
 - Carol A. (Annie) Petsonk - Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs
 - US Secretary's Office (didn't catch name)
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MOA: Hi Pete, glad we're speaking

SP: glad we are speaking, how are you?

MOA: things have been interesting

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MOA: not at all. I want you to know that I/the PM/we are taking this extremely seriously. Our system of government is much more decentralized than yours – we have to take first steps to ensure that provincial governments can exercise authority. But I can tell you – and I just spoke to the PM – that we are running out of patience. If things aren't addressed in the very near term we as the federal government will step in.

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MOA: constitution says that law enforcement stays with provinces. Sometimes its delegated to the municipality. Right now, it's within authority about the province. PM has spoken to the premier, I've spoken to my counterpart. If things are not addressed, if the bridge is not clear within the next few hours, the PM has asked the attorney general for legal options where we can get involved and clear the blockade. The national security advisor is speaking to the President's

advisor in the WH. You will be briefed in detail about our action plan over the next few hours. This is the timeline that we're talking about.

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MOA: You're absolutely right. In my public comms has been to highlight that truckers are distancing themselves from these unlawful activities. I've been meeting with truckers directly – the Canadian Trucking Alliance – it's a federation of the provincial associations. Made that a public event. Also met with Teamsters. We amplified their statements. The public needs to know that truckers are not on side with this – it's hurting their image. I asked them to do that and I am amplifying their message and repeating it publicly.

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MOA: thanks Pete. We can learn a lot from you. How can we make the profession of truckers more lucrative – we are doing the same here. Will share our lessons learned. I would also propose that our chiefs of staff can stay in touch.

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MOA: i understand the sense of urgency. We are fully onside. Want to get this over ASAP. Hope to hear from you on ideas and continue working together.

SP:s.38

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